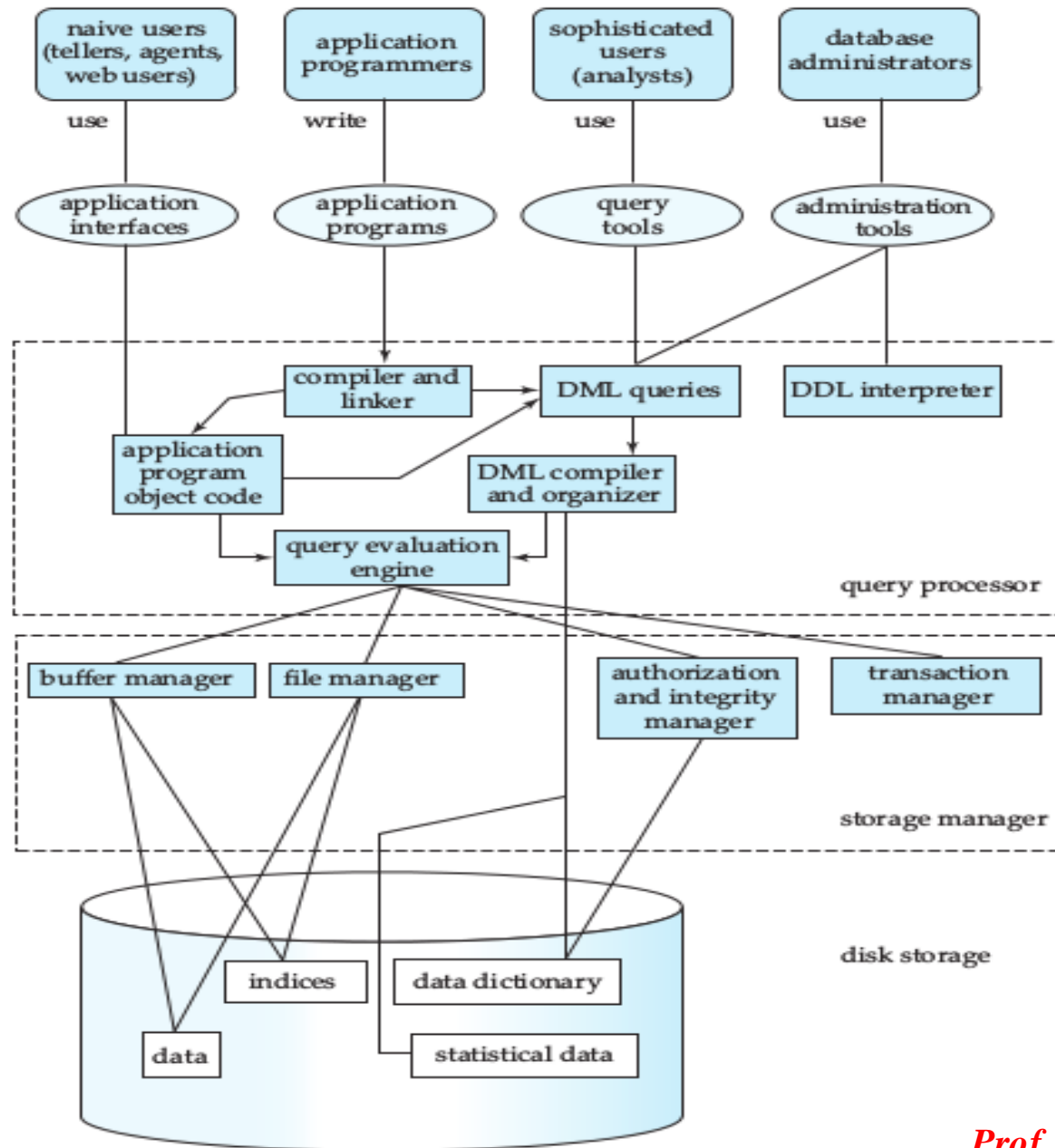


# Summary of last lecture

- View of Data – data abstraction
- Instances and Schemas
- Database Language
- Database System Structure - users

# Database System Structure



# Functions of DBA

- ❖ Schema Definition.
- ❖ Storage structure and access method definition.
- ❖ Schema and physical organization modification.
- ❖ Granting of authorization for data access.
- ❖ Routine maintenance.

# Data Models

- **Data Model** is a collection of conceptual tools for describing data, data relationships, data semantics, and consistency constraints.
- A data model provides a way to describe the design of a database at the **physical, logical, and view levels**.
- Data models define how data is connected to each other and how they are processed and stored inside the system.

# Types of Data Models

## 1) Record-based Data Models

The Relational Model

The Network Model

The Hierarchical Model

## 1) Object-based Data Models

The E-R Model

The Object-Oriented Model

## 1) Physical Data Models

*Note: 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> model describe data at the conceptual and view levels and 3<sup>rd</sup> at physical level*

# Relational Model

- The **Relational model** uses a collection of tables to represent both data and the relationships among those data.
- Tables are also known as **relations**.
- **Relation**: made up of 2 parts:
  - **Instance**: a table, with rows and columns.  
#rows = cardinality , #fields = degree / arity
  - **Schema**: specifies name of relation, plus name and type of each column  
E.g.: Students( *sid*: string, *name*: string, *login*: string, *age*: integer, *gpa*: real)



# Relational Model

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The diagram illustrates a relational table with the following structure and data:

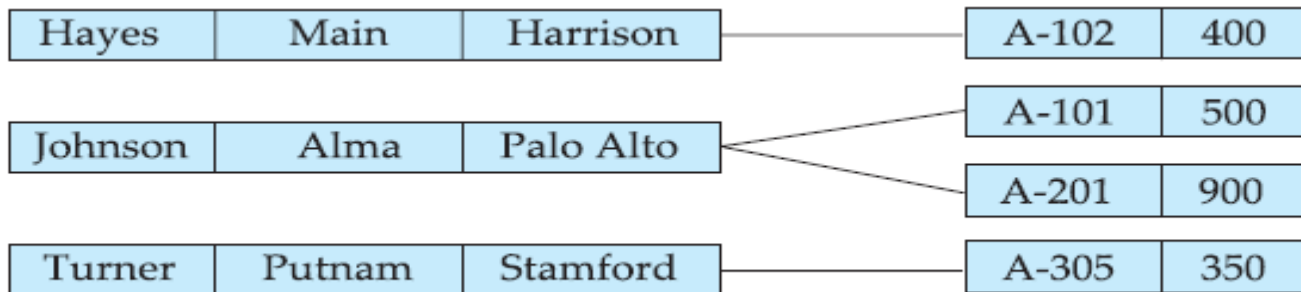
SID	SName	SAge	SClass	SSection
1101	Alex	14	9	A
1102	Maria	15	9	A
1103	Maya	14	10	B
1104	Bob	14	9	A
1105	Newton	15	10	B

Annotations in the diagram:

- attributes**: A curved arrow points from this label to the header row (SID, SName, SAge, SClass, SSection).
- column**: A straight arrow points from this label to the SAge column.
- tuple**: A straight arrow points from this label to the 1104 row.
- table (relation)**: A long curved arrow at the bottom points from the left to the right, encompassing the entire table.

# Network Model

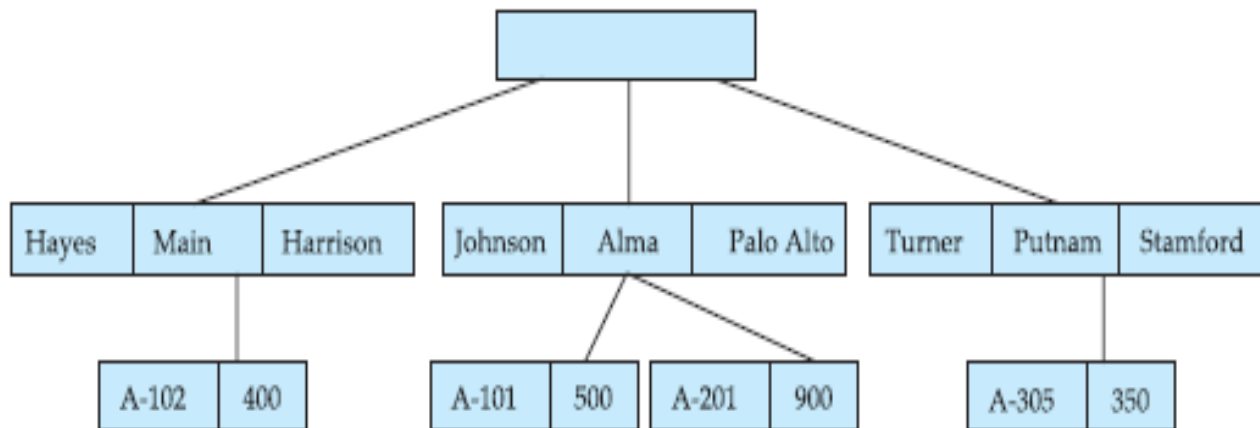
- In **Network Model** data are represented by collections of **records**, and relationships among data are represented by **links**.
- Each **record** is a collection of fields (attributes), each of which contains only one data value.
- A **link** is an association between precisely two records





# Hierarchical Model

- A **Hierarchical Model** consists of a collection of records that are connected to each other through links.
- A **record** is similar to a record in the network model.
- Each **record** is a collection of fields (attributes), each of which contains only one data value.
- A **link** is an association between precisely two records



# Hierarchical Database Model

- The **Hierarchical Model** mandates that each child record has only one parent, whereas each parent record can have one or more child records.
- The relationships formed in the tree-structure diagram must be such that only one-to-many or one-to-one relationships exist between a parent and a child.
- In order to retrieve data from a hierarchical database the whole tree needs to be traversed starting from the root node.